

John Franklin Campbell, Editor, Dies

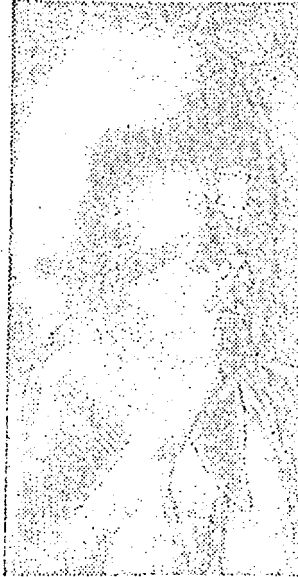
John Franklin Campbell, the 31-year-old managing editor of Foreign Policy magazine and author of "The Foreign Affairs Fudge Factory," died Saturday night in St. Vincent's Hospital of an obstruction in his throat. There were no further immediate details of the circumstances of the death. Mr. Campbell lived at 44 Horatio Street.

A lively and acerbic critic of American foreign policy and the machinery that implements it, Mr. Campbell had served as editor of Foreign Policy since its inception a year ago. He was currently on leave from the Foreign Service and had written many reviews and articles for different publications.

His book, "The Foreign Affairs Fudge Factory," was published last June. It was based in part on his experiences in the State Department since 1962. Walter Clements, in The New York Times, said of the author:

"He is a wit, a muckraker, a stable-cleaner. His devastating picture of the disarray of our foreign policy is a plea to simplify, restore and strengthen a demoralized State Department."

The book's theme was the asserted decline in competence of a State Department bureaucracy that had grown into "giantism" with a rise in cold war ideology that Mr. Campbell deplored. The bu-



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reaucracy, he argued, led Presidents to create their own "palace bureaucracies" in the White House and permitted the Central Intelligence Agency to exert too much influence in policy.

In style, Mr. Campbell's criticisms in his book and elsewhere were punctuated by humor and wit. He also wrote parodies and satiric essays for the Atlantic magazine and Foreign Affairs magazine. Some of his short stories were published in El-

lery Queen's Mystery Magazine.

He grew up in Alhambra in East Los Angeles but lived in Germany from 1947 to 1952 while his father, the late John Clifford Campbell, served as a civilian judge during the military occupation.

He attended Harvard, graduating in 1961 with academic honors. In 1962, he received a master's degree in political science from the University of California, Berkeley.

Mr. Campbell then joined the State Department's Foreign Service. He first worked as third secretary in the United States Embassy in Bonn, Germany, and then in Washington, where he edited the department's "Top Secret Daily Summary," the confidential digest of diplomatic and intelligence reports.

After a short leave to work with George W. Ball, the former Under Secretary of State, on the latter's memoirs, Mr. Campbell served as the United States consul in Asmara, Ethiopia, from 1967 to 1969.

Upon his return, he took a one-year fellowship with the Council on Foreign Relations. He has written articles for the council's publication, Foreign Affairs, and for The Times Book Review.

Mr. Campbell's survivors include his widow, the former Brenda Lee Hughes, and his mother, Mrs. Thane D. Mellick Campbell, and two sisters.